



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

UCF Student Government
LJR Committee Meeting
Charge on Chamber
11/20/2024
3:00 PM

MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 3:10 PM
2. Roll Call & Verification of Quorum: 6/6 (4)

Name	Email	Initial	Final
Chair Courts	sga_ljr@ucf.edu	P	P
Vice Chair Collazo	sga_sci4@ucf.edu	P	P
ILA Al-Qudah	sga_sci1@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Naguib	sgachps4@ucf.edu	E	E
Senator Gaudio	sgaecs9@ucf.edu	P	P
Senator Benwick	sgasci7@ucf.edu	P	P
Pro Tempore Representative Morissette	sga_pro@ucf.edu	P	P

3. Approval of the Minutes: [11.13.24](#) **Approved by GC**
4. Approval of the Agenda: **Approved by GC**
5. Announcements from the Chair Courts-
 - a. Happy last LJR meeting (of the semester) !! Expect to see a when2meet sent actually later today as I also want to throw it into the Senate agenda for tomorrow.
6. Announcements from the Vice Chair Collazo-
 - a. The tracker sheet is up to date.
7. Announcements from Committee Members-
 - a. LJR (GAP) Rep:
 - b. LJR (E&A) Rep: Issued two (2) non-compliances to two (2) Election Commissioners. 1 Senator confirmation
 - c. LJR (SBA) Rep: Resolution to make Juneteenth a school holiday and we saw a proclamation.
8. Announcements from Non-Committee Members-
 - a. None.

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9. Old Business-
 - a. Bills
 - i. None.
 - b. Resolutions
 - i. None.
 - c. Absences
 - i. None.
 - d. Blanket Excuse
 - i. None.
10. New Business-
 - a. Bills
 - i. None.
 - b. Resolutions
 - i. None.
 - c. Non-Compliances
 - i. [Title IX](#)
 - ii. [Election Commissioner Absence Tracking Sheet](#)
 - iii. **MTB, Approved by GC**
 1. Commissioner Seat #4 Aneesha Nayak – Non-Compliance of Title VI, Chapter 601.4, Section V
 - a. Discussion
 - i. Senator Gaudio: We don't have to go based off of the tier system. I think they should be removed from their seats. They only have to show up to one meeting for the entire semester.
 - ii. Vice Chair Collazo: If we are to remove them, we would have to follow the procedure outlined in title VI.
 - iii. Chair Court: We could always do a censure.
 1. Pro Tempore: if we do a censure doesn't it go back to LJR?
 - a. Chair Courts: Yes
 - iv. Vice Chair Collazo: We are able to remove the individual.
 - v. ILA Al-Qudah: I am leaning towards Tier II. A loss of speaking privileges.
 - vi. Senator Gaudio: I think we should remove the commissioner.
 - b. Motion to remove the Election Commissioner who is in non-compliance from their seat

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- c. Vote
 - i. 5-0-1, **Motion Passes.**
- d. Chair Courts: Motion to Reconsider: The Motion to remove the Election Commissioner who is in non-compliance from their seat.
 - i. **Approved by GC**
- e. Discussion on the motion to reconsider:
- f. Assistant Supervisor Henriques: The commissioner participates but is hesitant. Personally, I don't want to sway the opinion of the committee. The Election Commission were discussing removing this part of the statue.
 - i. ILA Al-Qudah: How confident are you that the commissioner will execute her job?
 - 1. Assistant Supervisor Henriques: I think she is capable of the job, but I don't think it's a priority for her. I can't give a definite answer.
 - 2. Chair Courts: I'm going to ask that we don't speculate.
 - ii. Pro Tempore: Do you think speaking privileges are important?
 - 1. Assistant Supervisor Henriques: Could you clarify.
 - a. Chair Courts: Clarifies.
 - 2. Assistant Supervisor Henriques: The EC Meetings are free flowing. I don't really know if loss of speaking privileges is impactful.
- g. Senator Gaudio: One of their duties is to show up to an E&A Meeting. For example, senators can't do Student Government things without being Financially trained.
- h. Pro Tempore Morissette: Motion to invoke a Tier II penal action that being that the Election Commissioner has to attend an E&A Meeting.
 - i. Senator Gaudio: Objection
 - ii. Pro Tempore Morissette: Withdrawn
- i. Pro Tempore Morissette: Motion to invoke a penal action that being that the Election Commissioner has to attend an E&A Meeting before being allowed to executive their duties and responsibilities as an Election Commissioner.
 - i. Vote
 - 1. 4-0-2, **Motion Passes.**

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- d. Absences ([Supporting Documentation](#)):
- i. FALL-24-082: Ella Widerburg
 1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: Hi everyone! I had to miss last week's meeting due to being extremely sick:(
 2. Questioning
 - a. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. ILA Al-Qudah: I appreciate the supporting documentation. I see its a doctor note. MTV, **Approved by GC**
 4. Vote
 - a. 4-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
 - ii. FALL-24-083: Christopher Corelli
 1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: I'm very sick. I don't want to be coughing the whole meeting and getting everybody else sick at the same time. Fortunately I think it's just a cold, but a really bad one.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Senator Benwick: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. I encourage the Senator to provide supporting documentation next time. MT, **Approved by GC**
 4. Vote
 - a. 4-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
 - iii. FALL-24-084: Zara Hashimi
 1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: Pakistani Student Association was having a potluck at Lake Claire today. I serve as the public relations director on their e-board. Hence, I stayed for the entire duration of the event and I stayed to help clean-up the event, which unfortunately ran long today.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Senator Gaudio: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. Pro Tempore Morissette: I will be voting favor. It makes sense
 - b. MTV, **Approved by GC**

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4. Vote
 - a. 4-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
- iv. FALL-24-085: Zara Hashimi
 1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: I had gotten a sore throat, a fever, and a headache in the hours leading up to the meeting that day. I was planning on attending the meeting earlier in the day. However, my symptoms worsened as the day went on in the near hours to the meeting.
 2. Questioning
 - a. MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. I encourage supporting documentation. I don't want a pattern of people to use the excusal
 - b. Senator Benwick: I share the same sentiments as Al-Qudah. There can be pattern of the same excusal
 4. Vote
 - a. 4-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
- v. FALL-24-086: Aiden DiChiara
 1. Speech
 - a. Chair DiChiara: My friends couldn't get an uber. I was hosting these friends. I did stay in Senate for E&A Matters. I had to leave early due to picking up my friends from the airport. My friends were staying with me for EDC, and I was the only one with a car, so I had to drive out to MCO and then come back and help them get settled. I don't have their boarding passes, but I do have texts.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Pro Tempore Morissette: Do you have any outstanding absences?
 - i. Chair Courts: Yes, 2.5
 3. Debate
 - a. ILA Al-Qudah: I was on the fence. Since he's used all his unexcused absences so I will be voting in favor
 - b. Senator Gaudio: Echoing what Al-Qudah had to say. I would normally say no however DiChiara is heavily involved in the Senate.
 - c. MTV, **Approved by GC**
 4. Vote
 - a. 5-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
- vi. FALL-24-087: Khushi Chauhan

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1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: I have to major exams for medical biochemistry and genetics on the following day, Friday. I really need to study for these exams and do well on them to get good grades in these classes. Both of these classes are really important science class that I want to do good and I need Thursday to properly prepare and do good.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Senator Gaudio: How many unexcused absences does the Senator have?
 - i. Chair Courts: She has a total of one (1)
 - b. Pro Tempore Morissette: If this individual reach two absences, would there be consequences?
 - i. Chair Courts: No
 3. Debate
 - a. Senator Benwick: I will be voting in favor.
 - b. Senator Gaudio: I will be voting in negation. This is for the whole meeting. I think missing the entire meeting is obsessive.
 - c. ILA Al-Qudah: I will also be voting in favor. She didn't provide supporting documentation. MTV, **Approved by GC**
 4. Vote
 - a. 1-4-1, **Denied by LJR**
- vii. FALL-24-088: Kamalakannan Ravi
1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: Hi Kirsten, I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to inform you that I will not be able to attend the Graduate Fall Dean's Meeting scheduled on Monday, November 25, 2024. I will be traveling to Moquegua, Peru, to participate in the 11th International Conference on Information Management and Big Data (SIMBig 2024), held at the Universidad Nacional de Moquegua from November 20–22, 2024, followed by a networking retreat from November 24–27. This conference provides an important opportunity for me to present my research, engage with fellow scholars, and contribute to international discussions in the field of information management and big data. Thank you for your understanding. Please let me know if there are alternative ways to catch up on the meeting's discussions and outcomes. Best regards, Kamalakkannan Ravi

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2. Questioning
 - a. Pro Tempore Morissette: there's no way to know when he planned for this trip?
 - i. Chair Courts: There is not, **Approved by GC**
 - b. Senator Benwick: MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. ILA Al-Qudah: While we can't be sure that his trip was planned before the dean meeting. I do know there is a lot of effort in planning a trip. This is great opportunity for him. I will be voting in favor.
 - b. Senator Gaudio: I think it is important to keep in mind that he is a Graduate Student. Research is important. I will be Voting in favor.
 - c. MTV, **Approved by GC**
 4. Vote
 - a. 4-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
- viii. FALL-24-088: Meriam Neguib
1. Speech
 - a. Chair Courts: Hi LJR, I can't attend this week's senate because I have to take care of a sick family member. Unfortunately no one else can take care of this individual on this day. I had to miss last week's meeting due to the same issue. I no longer have any unexcused absences because I used them due to sickness and this issue. I would appreciate any leniency because I do not want to leave Senate. Thank you LJR.
 2. Questioning
 - a. Senator Benwick: What was the sickness the family member had?
 - i. Chair Courts: It is not specified.
 - b. MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. ILA Al-Qudah: I will be voting in favor. I do like to see supporting documentation.
 - b. Senator Gaudio: This was topic that me and Naguib were discussing last week. I know this has been a problem that she been deciding what to do. She is a good member to have in Senate.
 4. Vote
 - a. 4-0-2, **Approved by LJR**
- ix. Trejo-Hernandez
1. Speech

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- a. Chair Courts: I recently joined last week. As I don't have complete access (or I just can't find it). But I will be missing this weeks senate as I'm attending a summit for my internship. She sent this through text message.
 2. Questioning
 - a. MTD, **Approved by GC**
 3. Debate
 - a. Pro Tempore Morissette: I will be voting in favor. I don't its fair to uphold her to the standard when she was just appointed.
 4. Vote
 - a. 5-0-1, **Approved by LJR**
 - e. Blanket Excuse
 - i. None.
11. Miscellaneous Business-
- a. ILA Al-Qudah: I wanted to share a really great event opportunity on behalf of the UCF Global Perspectives and International Initiatives Office which is their U.S. Elections and Global Outlook discussion panel. This event is tomorrow, November 21st, from 1:30-3:00PM located in UCF Global, Room 101. Please see the flyer below for more information and the link to RSVP as it is required to attend.
 - b. You can also use the link below to RSVP:
 - c. https://ucf.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8dhKh8HQ9vNp47c

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U.S. ELECTIONS & GLOBAL OUTLOOK

NOVEMBER 21, 2024
1:30PM-3:00PM
UCF GLOBAL, ROOM 101

As Donald Trump prepares to return to the White House, the global community anxiously awaits the ramifications of the U.S. election on the world order. How will Washington exert global leadership? What are the opportunities and consequences of a second Trump administration on American foreign policy, diplomacy, democracy, global economy and trade, responses to ongoing and emerging geopolitical challenges, security, and climate action.

Speakers:
David Dumke, Executive Director, UCF GPII
Dr. Fernando Rivera, Director, UCF Puerto Rico Research Hub
Dr. Hakan Ozoglu, Director, UCF Middle Eastern Studies Program
Dr. Ted Reynolds, Director, UCF Terrorism Studies Program
Dr. Thomas Crisman, GPII Non-Resident Fellow, Professor, University of South Florida

Moderated by:
Dr. Mirvate El Jerdi, GPII Assistant Director, Special Advisor for Middle East and North Africa

Free and open to the public. RSVP required to attend.
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RSVP:
[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/ELECTIONOUTLOOK](https://tinyurl.com/electionoutlook)

d.

12. Member Discussion:

a. None.

13. Final Roll Call: Same as the initial 6/6 (4)

14. Adjournment: 4:08 PM

Key:

P - Present

A - Absent

MTD - Move to Debate

MTV - Move to Vote

MTA- Move to Amend

MSQD – Motion for Speech, Questioning, & Debate Time

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MTIF – Move to Informal
MTF – Move to Formal
PP - Postpone
PPI - Postpone Indefinitely
GC - General Consent

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